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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, FR

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM CHANGE OF GAUGE

REFS: (A) STATE 152847 (B) PARIS 19266

1. ATWOOD, ALONG WITH MARKS (L) AND STYLES (EB/OA) MET WITH CHENU AS SCHEDULED ON JUNE 16 AND REVIEWED PROPOSED U.S. COMPROMISE. CHENU APPARENTLY HAD REPORT FROM PARIS ON MYERSON-DE SEDOUY MEETING OF SAME DAY.

2. CHENU WAS NON-COMMITAL, BUT EXPRESSED VIEW THAT IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT FOR GOF TO ALLOW PAN AM OPERATION FOR EVEN LIMITED PERIOD SINCE THIS WOULD BE ACCEPTING U.S. INTERPRETATION OF BILATERAL. WE OF COURSE RESPONDED THAT U.S. WOULD BE ACCEPTING GOF INTERPRETATION  
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FOR AN EQUAL PERIOD OF TIME. THOUGHT BEHIND THE PROPOSAL WAS TO FIND PRACTICAL WAY FOR BOTH GOVERNMENTS TO AVOID A MAJOR POLITICAL CLASH OVER A MINOR ISSUE.

3. CHENU MADE CONSTANT REFERENCES TO OLD CONCORDE ISSUES, CONFIRMING REPORTS THAT THE PRESENT CHANGE-OF-GAUGE DISPUTE IS RESULT OF PAST ILL-FEELINGS BY FRENCH ON THOSE

ISSUES.

4. CHENU STATED OFFICIAL GOF RESPONSE WAS PROBABLE DURING  
WEEK OF JUNE 19. NEWSOM

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